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# Antisoma's acquisition of Xanthus Pharmaceuticals Inc. approved by shareholders



Antisoma plc (LSE:ASM; USOTC:ATSMY) announces that the resolutions put to today's Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) of Antisoma's shareholders were passed with the support of over 89% of votes cast. These included a resolution to acquire Xanthus Pharmaceuticals Inc., and, by association, the fundraising linked with the acquisition. Full details of the proxy voting are available on Antisoma's website at <a href="https://www.antisoma.com">www.antisoma.com</a>

Copies of the resolutions passed at the EGM today are available for inspection at the UK Listing Authority's Document Viewing Facility, which is situated at:

The Financial Services Authority 25 The North Colonnade Canary Wharf London E14 5HS Tel: +44 (0) 20 7066 1000

A further announcement will be made regarding admission of the shares issued in connection with the acquisition and fundraising and the completion of the transaction.

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## Background to the acquisition and fundraising

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executed a fundraising providing, before expenses, an additional GBP 20.9 million to the Enlarged Group. Further details are available in the press release of 16 May.

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## Holdings in Antisoma plc

- **10 June 2008, London, UK:** Antisoma plc (LSE: ASM; USOTC: ATSMY) has received notification that BVF Partners L.P. has an interest in 17,093,543 ordinary shares of 1p each in Antisoma, representing 3.83% of Antisoma's current issued ordinary share capital. Antisoma was notified of the following in relation to the 17,093,543 shares:
- 1. These shares are registered in the name of Morgan Stanley & Co. (9,773,000 shares) and Bear Stearns Securities Corp. (7,320,543 shares).
- 2. Further persons who are interested in these shares are BVF Inc., the general partner of BVF Partners L.P., and Mark Lampert, the controlling shareholder of BVF Inc.

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## Antisoma completes acquisition of Xanthus Pharmaceuticals Inc.

**11 June 2008, London, UK:** Antisoma plc (LSE:ASM; USOTC: ATSMY) announces the completion of the acquisition of Xanthus Pharmaceuticals Inc.

The new Antisoma shares issued to effect the acquisition and the fundraising associated with the acquisition are to be admitted today. Admission of the consideration shares and fundraising shares and dealings in the fundraising shares will commence at 08.00 BST today. The acquisition shares are subject to a 12-month lockup agreement, subject to certain limited exceptions.

The new ordinary shares issued to effect the acquisition and fundraising will rank *pari* passu with existing ordinary shares in all respects. The following summarises the effect of the acquisition and fundraising on Antisoma's ordinary share count:

Shares in issue before acquisition and fundraising: 446,720,339
Shares issued as consideration to acquire Xanthus: 86,416,353\*
Shares issued in fundraising: 80,392,274
Total shares in issue after acquisition and fundraising: 613,528,966\*\*

- \* A further 9,568,951 shares constitute a deferred consideration, which may be issued 18 months after the closing date of the transaction, subject to deductions based on claims for indemnity by Antisoma or as otherwise allowed under the terms of the acquisition agreement.
- \*\*This figure may be used by shareholders as the denominator for the calculations by which they will determine if they are required to notify their interest in, or a change to their interest in, Antisoma under the FSA's Disclosure and Transparency Rules.

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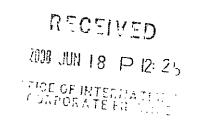
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## Antisoma plc

# Directors' Share Dealing



**10 June 2008, London, UK:** Cancer drug developer Antisoma plc (LSE: ASM; USOTC: ATSMY) has received notification that its non-executive director, Michael Pappas, has purchased 1p ordinary Antisoma shares as follows:

Director	Date of transaction	Amount of shares purchased	Price (p)	shares held in the	% of Company held following the transaction
Michael Pappas	09.06.2008	100,000	21.75	751,785	0.17%

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